## **Section I**

# Housing Programs and Services to be Undertaken During City FY 2007

The following sections describe housing-related programs and services for renters, homeowners, homebuyers, homeless persons and persons with special to be provided in the Alexandria community during the City FY 2007 Action Plan period; and provide an estimate of federal, state, local and private resources expected to be available to support these activities during that time.

■ I.A. Extremely Low-, Low - and Moderate-Income Renters

### Five - Year Objectives:

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for extremely low-, low- and moderate-income renters will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Preserve and maintain the existing supply of 1,150 public housing and replacement public housing units for households at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Subject to the availability of resources, preserve and maintain the existing supply of approximately 2,114 privately-owned rental units with project-based assistance available to households at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Provide tenant-based rental housing subsidies to an estimated 1,700 households per year that are at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Provide 500 rental housing units affordable to households at or below the limit used for the Low Income Housing Tax Credit Program of 60% of area median income through new development or preservation of existing affordable market rate rental housing; and
- Secure 15 affordable rental units in new development projects pursuant to the City's Affordable Housing Policy.

#### City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for Extremely Low- and Low-Income Renters:

Program/Activity: Public Housing and Replacement Public Housing Units

**Provider(s):** ARHA and Freeman and Mays (owner of one complex on ARHA-owned land)

**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters

**Program/Activity Description:** Publicly owned/operated affordable rental units available to income-eligible households - In accordance with Resolution 830, 1,150 such units are maintained in the City, of which 889 are Public Housing units, 111 are Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation units, 60 are Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) units and 90 are Section 8 New Construction units reserved for elderly income eligible renters

Geographic Distribution: Citywide [See Figure I, APPENDIX II]

<u>Projected Funding for City FY07 (By Source)</u>: Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation - \$990,201; (January -December 2006); also LIHTC, Section 8 New Construction and HUD Comprehensive Improvement Grant

Service Objective: Units Available -1,150. (Average turnover for Public Housing and Section 8

Moderate Rehabilitation units is 4%.)

**<u>Performance Measurement:</u>** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

Provider(s): ARHA

**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters

Program/Activity Description: Tenant-based rental housing subsidies for income-eligible

households renting private-market units **Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007(By Source): Section 8-\$16,051,000 (January -

December 2006)

**Service Objective:** Vouchers supported - 1,722 (Average Turnover is 5%-6%)

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Section 8 Security Deposit Loan Program

Provider(s): ARHA

**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Revolving loan fund established during City FY 2002 and partially funded with City Housing Trust Fund monies that provides loans for security deposits

to Section 8 voucher program participants **Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007(By Source): Not Applicable - This is a Revolving

Loan Fund that was capitalized in a prior program year **Service Objective**: Contingent on rate of repayments

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Privately-Owned Subsidized Rental Units

**Provider(s):** Various Private Providers

**Target Population:** Low and Moderate Income Renters

**Program/Activity Description:** Privately-owned affordable rental units available to income-

eligible households

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: These units originally received assistance from the following sources - LIHTC Program, Tax-Exempt Bond Program, Section 8 Program, Section 236 Program and/or the City's Housing Trust Fund. Ongoing subsidies from non-City sources other than Tax-Exempt Bonds will continue in City FY 2007, but subsidy amounts are not readily available to the City.

**Service Objective:** Housing Units Available - 1,952

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Affordable Rental Housing Development Initiatives

**Provider(s):** Private Developers and Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters

**Program/Activity Description:** Initiative to develop or preserve affordable rental units

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007(By Source)</u>: Total - \$26,388,608 [HOME -\$300,000, General Fund - \$300,000, Housing Trust Fund - \$400,000, Real Property Tax - \$3,288,608,

General Obligation Bonds - up to \$22.1 million

**Service Objective:** 150-200 affordable rental units developed or preserved depending on

availability of funds.

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

**Program/Activity:** Supportive Services for ARHA-Assisted Households

Provider(s): ARHA

**Target Population:** Extremely-Low to Moderate-Income Renters

**Program/Activity Description:** Limited social services for ARHA residents (see Section III.I)

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywidy

Projected Funding for City FY 2007(By Source): ARHA will seek private and local funding

including the HUD Service Coordinators for Public Housing Grant and Butler Family

Foundation monies

**Service Objective:** Continue limited social services for ARHA residents

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

**Program/Activity:** Set-Aside Unit Program (Rental Units)

**Provider(s):** Private developers pursuant to City policy administered by the City's Office of

**Target Population:** Low- and Moderate-Income Renters

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: In accordance with the City's Affordable Housing Policy, the City may negotiate with new housing developers to provide affordable set-aside sales or rental units to income-eligible households. Twenty-eight rental units are currently pledged to this program at two projects - ( Northampton East, under construction) and (Mill Race, under construction) - and are expected to be completed during City FY 2007. A minimum of 10 additional units should be pledged during the year.

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: Amount of developer subsidies available to support this program is not known until a project proposal is submitted.

<u>Service Objective</u>: Units delivered (to be determined).

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

For information on the development and or preservation of affordable rental housing, see Section III.B below. For information on assistance with accessibility modifications for income-eligible renters with disabilities see Section I.F.

<u>Leveraging of Federal Funds</u>: Any federal funds used for development activities are expected to leverage additional public and/or private funds.

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: Application for funding to acquire, rehabilitate or subsidize rental housing for households with incomes at or below HUD's middle-income limits will be supported by the City subject to City Council approval. Applications for funding to support residential services for renter households with incomes at or below HUD's middle income limits will be supported by the City if they pertain to continuation of existing or similar activities to address resident needs and/or to promote self-sufficiency. Applications for funding to expand housing or residential services for renter households with incomes at or below HUD's middle-income limits would be supported by the City.

#### ■ I.B. Current Low- and Moderate-Income Homeowners

## **Five Year Objectives:**

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for existing lower-income homeowners will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Provide no-interest rehabilitation loans to 50-75 homeowner households with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Provide modest, free repairs or renovations to 200 owner-occupied housing units for households at or below HUD's moderate-income limits; and
- Reduce the property tax burden for an estimated 1,300 income-eligible households per year to promote housing affordability

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for Existing Low- and Moderate-Income Homeowners:

Program/Activity: Single Family Home Rehabilitation Program

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population**: Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Homeowners

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides no-interest deferred payment loans to low- and moderate-income homeowners for home rehabilitation activities. Includes energy efficiency improvements.

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL-\$1,680,012 [New CDBG-

\$299,843; CDBG Carryover-\$1,000,469; HOME Carryover \$379,700 **Service Objective:** Loans Obligated - 14; Loans Completed - 15

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing, Suitable Living Environment;

Outcome: Affordability, Sustainability

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Affordable Home Ownership Preservation Grant (AHOP)

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Finance

**Target Population**: Low- and Moderate-Income Homeowners

**Program/Activity Description**: Tax relief program intended to help keep homeownership in Alexandria affordable by providing tax reduction grants of \$275-\$675 based on income for lower-income homeowners with annual household incomes below \$62,000 and homes assessed at less than \$442,000.

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): City General Fund - \$950,000

Service Objective: Ownership Households - 1,398

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Supportive services and financial assistance to prevent income-eligible homeowners from losing their homes due to economic crisis will be provided through the Homeless Intervention Program (HIP; see Section I.D) and the Real Property Tax Relief Program (see Section I.E). City agencies will also refer homeowners for rehabilitation assistance through Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA). For more details on the latter programs, see Section I.E.

### **Leveraging of Federal Funds:** None

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: Applications for funding to support homeownership activities are supported by the City if they promote Consolidated Plan goals and objectives for homebuyer and existing homeowner households.

## ■ I.C. Low- and Moderate-Income Homebuyers

### **Five Year Objectives:**

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for lower-income homebuyers will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Provide financial assistance to 250 households meeting income and other eligibility criteria to secure ownership housing; and
- Educate 2,300 prospective low- and moderate-income homebuyers on the home purchase process.

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for Low- and Moderate-Income Homebuyers:

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Homeownership Assistance Program (HAP)

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population**: Extremely Low- and Low-Income Homebuyers

**Program/Activity Description**: Provides deferred-payment second trust loans of up to \$50,000 for downpayment and closing cost assistance to first-time homebuyer households with incomes up to HUD's Section 8 low-income limits (\$59,600 for a family of four as of March 3, 2006)

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: TOTAL-\$1,554,087 [New CDBG-\$487,945; CDBG Carryover-\$386,547; New HOME grant-\$503,034; Match for new HOME grant from City General Fund-\$125,759; HOME Carryover-\$50,802

Service Objective: Households Assisted - 25

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Moderate Income Homeownership Program (MIHP)

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population**: Includes Moderate- and Middle-Income Homebuyers

**Program/Activity Description**: Provides deferred-payment second trust loans of up to \$30,000 for downpayment and closing cost assistance to first-time homebuyer households with incomes between the moderate income limits and a City-established maximum income limit (currently \$90,300 for a households of three or more persons). MIHP-eligible law enforcement officers are eligible for the HAP assistance limit of \$50,000. Residents of apartments under conversion to condominium ownership may be eligible for increased MIHP assistance of up to \$40,000 if purchasing their current residence or another unit within the converting property.

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL- \$989,500 [City Housing Trust

Fund - \$989,500]

**Service Objective:** Households Assisted - 31

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Mortgage Financing with Below-Market Interest Rates

**Provider(s)**: Virginia Housing Development Authority (VHDA) in cooperation with the City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: First-trust mortgage financing for participants in the City's HAP and MIHP programs at interest rates below that of VHDA's first-time homebuyer program

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: VHDA Sponsoring Partnerships and Revitalizing Communities (SPARC) - \$6 million (represents the projected remaining balance of the City's 18 month SPARC allocation ending June 2006;

<u>Service Objective</u>: Households Assisted - 25 (all of which will also be participants in HAP/MIHP)

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Seller's Incentive Fund

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population**: Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides \$1,000 to defray the costs of the seller's real estate

commission for sales involving HAP or MIHP second trust financing.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: City Housing Trust Fund - \$75,000 <u>Service Objective</u>: Households Assisted - 75 (all of which will also be participants in

HAP/MIHP)

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

**Program/Activity:** Home Stride

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides up to \$25,000 in loan funds with deferred payment and interest for the first three years of the loan to assist with downpayment and closing costs. These funds can be combined with other City homeownership assistance.

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): \$575,000 (represents the remaining

balance of the City's 18-month allocation ending June 2007).

Service Objective: Households Assisted- 25

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

Program/Activity: Employer-Assisted Housing (EAH)

**Provider(s)**: Local employers in cooperation with the City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Employees of Local Employers offering EAH Programs

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Allows employees working within the City who are utilizing an EAH program established by their employer and who meet applicable eligibility criteria to access HAP and MIHP assistance. For employees who are ineligible for HAP/MIHP for reasons other than income, the City will provide 0% interest deferred repayment loans of up to \$5,000 for downpayment/closing costs that match on a 2:1 basis contributions of participating employers providing financial EAH benefits.

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: City Housing Trust Fund - \$113,000

Service Objective: Continue to encourage employers to establish EAH programs

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Homeownership Counseling Services

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers

**Program/Activity Description:** Homeownership counseling and training for first-time

homebuyers

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): City Housing Trust Fund - \$108,730

**Service Objective:** Training Sessions Held - 18

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Homeownership Fair

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Low- to Middle-Income Homebuyers

**Program/Activity Description:** Provides information on the homebuying process, affordable

housing opportunities and affordable financing available in the City

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): Homeownership Fees - \$6,000

Service Objective: Hold an annual Homeownership Fair. Attendees - 600

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

**Program/Activity:** Set-Aside Unit Program (Sales Units)

**Provider(s)**: Private developers pursuant to City policy administered by the City's Office of Housing

**Target Population**: Low- and Moderate-Income Homebuyers

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: In accordance with the City's Affordable Housing Policy, the City may negotiate with new housing developers to provide affordable rental units to incomeligible households. Thirty-five homeownership units, including 34 currently under construction at four projects-- Mill Race, Cameron Station, Halstead Park Center and The Monarch-- and one of two not yet under construction at Tuscany at Landmark, are expected to be completed during FY 2007. An additional 9 units at Postmasters (off-site), The Prescott, and Tuscany at Landmark remain outstanding. A minimum of 20 units should be pledged during the year.

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: Amount of developer subsidies available to support this program is not known until a project proposal is submitted.

Service Objective: Units Delivered - To be determined.

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Employee Homeownership Incentive Program (EHIP)

**Provider(s):** City

**Target Population:** Alexandria City Government and Public School Employees

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides up to \$5,000 in loan funds with deferred payment interest to assist local government employees to purchase homes in the jurisdiction they are serving. These funds can be combined with other City homeownership assistance if eligible.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): City Housing Trust Fund \$200,000

Service Objective: 40 Households

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Minority Homeownership - The City estimates that during the Action Plan period, 160 minority households will be assisted in becoming homeowners through City home purchase assistance programs.

The City will also encourage the development and preservation of affordable sales (and rental) housing units as discussed in Section III.B below.

**Leveraging of Federal Funds:** HOME and CDBG funds expended during City FY 2007 to support down payment and closing cost assistance provided through the City's HAP program are expected to leverage first trust mortgage monies from VHDA and other private lenders, as well as 2<sup>nd</sup> trust monies from VHDA.

**Support for Applications by Other Entities:** The City generally intends to support applications by other entities for homeownership purposes.

#### ■ I.D. The Homeless and Persons Threatened with Homelessness

The Continuum of Care describes the services offered and the interaction between and among service providers in the community in their effort to reduce and eliminate homelessness. The Continuum of Care document was developed and by the Homeless Services Coordinating Committee (HSCC) and is revised each year for submission to HUD in order that agencies and organizations serving the homeless in Alexandria will be eligible for federal homeless services funding. In preparation for the development of each year's Continuum of Care, HSCC conducts a one-day "point-in-time" count of the homeless in a variety of settings.

Data is collected through surveys submitted by each homeless facility in the City (emergency shelters, transitional housing programs and housing programs for homeless persons with special needs), as well as by volunteers who visit sites where services are provided to homeless persons and areas of the City in which unsheltered homeless persons are known to congregate (e.g., parks, under bridges).

HSCC conducted its most recent point-in-time count of Alexandria's homeless population on January 25, 2006. A total of 409 homeless individuals were identified by surveyors and facilities staff on the day of the count. By definition, the homeless count includes 27 residents of permanent supportive housing operated by the Community Services Board. A total of 104 individuals and two small families that applied for placement on January 25 were identified as unsheltered. Ninety four individuals met the HUD definition for "chronic homelessness". Forty-three individuals were registered to use the winter only hypothermia program and potentially may be unsheltered at other times of the year.

The January 2006 count revealed and increase in the unsheltered population and the continuing need for transitional and permanent supportive housing options for single adults and families. The most severe shortage judged by the survey is housing options combined with supportive services. In addition, 35 persons identified through the point-in-time count were deemed appropriate and in need of Safe Haven services, a top priority of the HSCC that is currently under development by the Community Services Board.

## Five Year Objectives:

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for persons who are homeless or threatened with homelessness will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Create permanent affordable housing for single adults and special populations through the completion of the safe haven project; affordable assisted living for elderly and disabled; and single room occupancy and housing options for low-income single adults;
- Maintain the existing level of homeless prevention programming;

- Maintain existing level of facility based transitional housing for families and singles-increase client based transitional housing for families and singles to former levels where providers have been forced to reduce caseloads due to flat or decreased revenue and higher housing costs;
- Improve targeting of mainstream resources to permanent housing solutions: Establish a Homeless preference for HUD subsidized programs (Public Housing and Vouchers); and
- Implement the City's Ten Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness through the addition of 1.5 FTE in public or private mental health and substance abuse services to the homeless population; increase access to health services for the chronic homeless population; and obtain health care for the homeless grant for the Community Health Care Center.

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for the Homeless and Persons Threatened with Homelessness:

## **Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)**

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)

<u>Provider(s)</u>: City of Alexandria Departments of Human Services and Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse, and private homeless services providers

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Computerized data collection system designed to capture client-level information on the characteristics and service needs of persons experiencing homelessness. -HUD takes into consideration whether an HMIS is utilized by a local Continuum of Care in awarding grant funds under the Support Housing Program.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: TOTAL - \$23,410 (City General Fund and User's Fees)

<u>Service Objective</u>: The HMIS will provide a computerized data base that allows HSCC to track entry and exist of persons to the continuum of care, services accessed while enrolled and gaps in the current system of services.

<u>Performance Measurement:</u> Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/ Accessibility

#### **Prevention and Intervention**

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Homeless Intervention Program (HIP)

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Target Population:** Persons Threatened with Homelessness

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides financial assistance with rent/mortgage arrearages and with current or future rent/mortgage payments to families and single residents of the City facing immediate eviction or foreclosure due to circumstances beyond their control. Also assists with relocation costs incurred in the transition from a shelter to permanent or supportive housing.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

**FY 2007 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$460,000 [State Homeless Resource Program - \$215,000;

TANF- \$45,000; City General Fund - \$200,000]

**Service Objective:** Households - 160

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: General Relief Program and Emergency Shelter Fund

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Target Population:** Persons Threatened with Homelessness

**Program/Activity Description**: Provides short-term rental assistance to relieve impending

housing crises and thereby prevent homelessness

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$315,000 [City General Fund -

\$284,450; State - \$30,550]

Service Objective: Households Receiving Housing Assistance - 420

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Homeless Prevention for Adopt-A-Family Clients

**Provider(s):** Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless (AACH)

**Target Population:** Persons Threatened with Homelessness

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides homeless prevention services to former clients of AACH's Adopt-A-Family program, a transitional housing program; and a pilot program that provides supportive services for six month periods to households at imminent risk of homelessness

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

**Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source):** Federal Emergency Management. Agency

(FEMA)-\$2,200

**Service Objective:** Households - 14

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availabilility/Accessibility

## Outreach, Assessment, Case Management, Counseling and Other Support Services

Program/Activity: Eviction Assistance and Furniture Storage Program

<u>Provider(s)</u>: City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides for the transportation and up to 60 days storage of possessions of households that are about to be evicted and that lack a suitable place to store

such items

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: New CDBG - \$75,000 <u>Service Objective</u>: Households Assisted - 80 (consisting of 150 persons)

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/

Accessibility, Affordability

Outreach, assessment, case management and counseling services will continue to be provided as part of the service delivery of the City's emergency shelters by the City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse (MHMRSA), DHS, the Alexandria Health Department and the Office of Housing, in conjunction with shelter staff. Emergency assistance and food programs supported by Catholic Charities will also continue. FY 07 households assisted - 100 (consisting of approximately 225 persons).

## **Emergency Shelter**

Program/Activity: ALIVE! House

Provider(s): ALIVE! House

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

**Program/Activity Description:** Provides emergency shelter to homeless families and single

women

**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide

**Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source):** TOTAL - \$97,043 [City and State funds from DHS - \$48,000; Federal ESG - \$7,843; State SSG - \$11,200; Private Monies - \$30,000]

Service Objective: Beds - 14

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/

Accessibility

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Carpenter's Shelter

**Provider(s):** Carpenter's Shelter

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides emergency shelter, aftercare, case management and supportive services to homeless families and single adults. Provides a day program for unsheltered homeless.

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$1,416,822 [Federal ESG - \$70,588; State SSG - \$100,800; State Child Care for the Homeless Program - \$26,250; U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) - \$9,000; FEMA - \$1,161; Federal PATH - \$30,000; \$1,090,023 in foundation grants, monies from fund-raising activities, private donations and in-kind contributions;\$89,000 in City General Fund from the Community Partnership Fund and through DHS]

Service Objective: Beds - 80

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/

Accessibility

Program/Activity: Alexandria Community Shelter (ACS)

**Provider(s)**: Salvation Army under contract with the City of Alexandria

**<u>Target Population</u>**: Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides temporary emergency shelter and comprehensive services to homeless families, single women and single men. Case management support is provided by City staff from DHS and the Community Services Board.

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: TOTAL-\$653,265 [City General Fund - \$548,219; Federal Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program - \$33,514; State Shelter Support

Grant (SSG) Program- \$71,500] **Service Objective:** Beds - 65

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/

Accessibility

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Alexandria Women's Shelter <u>Provider(s)</u>: City of Alexandria Office on Women <u>Target Population</u>: Victims of Domestic Violence

Program/Activity Description: Provides emergency shelter to victims of domestic violence

**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$463,875 [City General Fund - \$280,000; Federal ESG - \$6,875; State SSG - \$14,500; Virginia Department of Social Services - \$153,000; Private Monies - \$9,500]

**Service Objective:** Women and Children Served - 80

<u>Performance Measurement:</u> Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/ Accessibility

### Program/Activity: Winter Shelter Program

<u>Provider(s)</u>: Carpenter's Shelter, Church of St. Clements, Blessed Sacrament Church, Christ House, Alexandria Community Shelter, Fairlington Methodist Church and Alfred Street Baptist Church

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides shelter and services to homeless persons unwilling or unable to adjust to a structured case management program during the winter months when living outdoors presents serious health hazards through exposure

<u>Geographic Distribution</u>: Eligibility is Citywide (for specific shelter locations, see Listing of Proposed City FY 2006 CDBG/HOME-Funded Projects in Appendix I)

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$91,550 [New CDBG -

\$20,000; City General Fund-\$25,000; Private Monies - \$46,550 in monies included in budget figures for Carpenter's Shelter under "Emergency Shelter" above]

**Service Objective:** Persons Served - 350

<u>Performance Measurement:</u> Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/ Accessibility

The City will also continue to support the housing and services needs of homeless persons and at-risk populations through the competitive Alexandria Fund for Human Services. Since City FY 1999, funds from the Community Partnership Fund and Youth Fund components of the Alexandria Fund for Human Services have been awarded annually to support non-profit organizations meeting the shelter, housing, counseling and service needs of homeless families, youth, and persons with disabilities and persons living with HIV/AIDS.

## **Transitional Housing**

Program/Activity: Alexandria Transitional Housing Program

<u>Provider(s)</u>: Northern Virginia Family Service (NVFS) under contract with the City of Alexandria

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: City Housing Trust Fund carryover - \$181,270

Service Objective: Households Served - 12

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Community Lodgings, Inc.

**Provider(s):** Community Lodgings, Inc.

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides transitional housing, case management, education and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: TOTAL - \$222,721 [Federal ESG - \$36,026; State SSG - \$49,500; Private Monies - \$107,195, applying for Community

Partnership Fund- \$30,000]

**Service Objective:** 20 Households

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

Program/Activity: Adopt-A-Family Program (Alexandria)

**Provider(s):** Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless (AACH)

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: TOTAL - \$222,258 [Federal Supportive Housing Program (SHP) - \$139,440; Federal ESG - \$31,918; Private Monies from the United Way - \$12,500; \$38,400 in City General Fund from the Community Partnership Fund]

Service Objective: Households Served - 16

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability, Availability/Accessibility

Program/Activity: Turning Point - Salvation Army Transitional Housing Program

**Provider(s):** Salvation Army

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons (many of whom are leaving emergency shelters) transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

**Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)**: TOTAL - \$70,000 [Federal ESG - \$7,000; State SSG - \$14,000; City General Fund through DHS - \$25,200; Private Monies - \$23,800]

**Service Objective:** Households Served - 7

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

Program/Activity: Carpenter's Shelter Transitional Housing Program

**Provider(s):** Carpenter's Shelter

**Target Population:** Persons who are Homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides transitional housing, case management and other supportive services to help homeless persons leaving emergency shelter at Carpenter's Shelter transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide clients residing at Carpenter's Shelter

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: Included in budget figures provided for

Carpenter's Shelter under Emergency Shelter above

**Service Objective:** Households Served - 3

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Transitional Assistance Program (TAP)

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS)

**Target Population**: Persons who are Homeless

**Program/Activity Description**: Provides homeless persons residing in shelters or

overcrowded situations with budget/housing counseling and financial assistance to move into

affordable housing

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: New CDBG - \$102,000 **Service Objective:** Households Served - 85 (consisting of 190 persons)

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

#### **Guest House**

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Guest House Provider(s): Friends of Guest House

**Target Population:** Female ex-prisoners who are homeless

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides nine transitional housing beds in a group home setting, along with supportive services to help female ex-offenders transition to self-sufficiency.

**Funds Expended for City FY 2007 (By Source):** TOTAL-\$249,529- (City of Alexandria-\$23,850: County of Arlington-\$30,900, State and Federal Share grants - \$12,200; Virginia Department of Corrections - \$80,000; donations, fundraisers, churches, United Way and foundations-\$102,579

**Service Accomplishments**: Persons Served - 20 (all of whom were Alexandrians)

<u>Performance Measurement:</u> Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability, Availability/ Accessibility

## **Permanent Supportive Housing**

For information on Permanent supportive housing programs available to homeless persons with special needs, please refer to the discussion of supportive housing facilities and services targeted to individuals with mental/developmental disabilities and substance dependence problems that follows in Section I.H.

#### **Permanent Housing**

Homeless persons and transitional housing residents may seek permanent housing under programs serving extremely low- and low-income households discussed in Section I.A and Section I.B. In addition, funds have been sought to support a Safe Haven facility for homeless persons in the City who are mentally ill and/or who are mentally ill and have substance abuse problems. For more information about this activity, please refer to Section I.H.

Program/Activity: Safe Haven

**Provider(s):** Alexandria Community Service Board (ACSB)

<u>Target Population</u>: Homeless or chronically homeless persons in the City who are mentally ill and/or have substance abuse problems.

**Program/Activity Description:** Provide housing for men and women who are homeless or chronically homeless.

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: TOTAL -\$961,499 [City General Fund monies -\$111,891, HUD funding - \$54,608, Capital Improvement Program - \$795,000] <u>Service Objective</u>: Renovation of Building. Beds Available - up to 12 (in 3 housing units)

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Suitable Living Environment; Outcome:

Affordability, Availability/ Accessibility

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Transitional/Permanent Supportive Housing for Homeless Persons <u>Provider(s)</u>: Alexandria Community Service Board (ACSB), City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse MHMRSA and Sheltered Homes of Alexandria (SHA)

<u>Target Population</u>: Persons in the City who are homeless or threatened with homelessness and who are mentally ill and/or have substance abuse problems.

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provide housing for men and women who are homeless or threatened with homeless

Geographic Distribution: Eligibility is Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$587,590 [Total - \$366,819 (Permanent: HUD - \$274,676, City General Fund- \$92,143); Total - \$220,771 (HUD - \$127,064, City General Funds and client fees. \$02,807)]

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Service Objective: 38 beds available in 21 housing units

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing, Suitable Living

Environment; Outcome: Availability/ Accessibility, Affordability

Leveraging of Federal Funds: Federal Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) funds will be used in conjunction with an estimated \$548,219 in City General Fund revenues and State Shelter Support Grant monies to support the operating costs of the Alexandria Community Shelter. In City FY 2007, private emergency shelters in Alexandria and the Women's Shelter will receive approximately \$316,820 from the federal ESG and State SSG (expected to consist predominantly of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) monies) programs as well as \$20,000 in CDBG monies, which will leverage over \$1.67 million in state, local and private funds. Transitional housing providers will use an estimated \$138,444 in federal ESG and State SSG (expected to consist predominantly of TANF monies) funds to leverage over \$207,095 in local and private funding. DHS also solicits funds from private sources to assist in its various homeless services and prevention programs.

The federal Emergency Shelter Grant requires a 100% match. The City's FY 2007 grant will be matched with General Fund revenues. Private shelters will match their funds with foundation and private monies.

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: The City would support funding applications to maintain existing levels of service for homeless persons and those threatened with homelessness as well as new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans, Community Services Board housing Plan and/or Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services to addressed in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans and/or Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness would require City Council approval.

## ■ I.E. The Elderly and Frail Elderly

#### **Five Year Objectives:**

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for lower-income elderly and frail elderly persons will address the following specific objective established in the Consolidated Plan:

- Develop or support the development of an assisted living facility which can accommodate elderly persons with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits who are unable to live independently in the community;
- Improve living conditions for 45 elderly homeowners with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits occupying ownership units with physical defects and/or that are in need of accessibility; and
- Relieve the housing cost burden for over 900 income-eligible elderly renters and/or homeowners per year.

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for the Elderly and Frail Elderly:

Program/Activity: Publicly-Assisted Rental Housing for Income-Eligible Elderly Persons

**Provider(s):** ARHA and private rental property owners

**Target Population:** Low- and Moderate-Income Elderly Renters

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: 170 public housing units at Ladrey Highrise, 38 public housing units at Park Place, 90 Section 8 (public housing replacement) units at Annie B. Rose House and 300 Section 8 units at Claridge House (all of which were included in assisted rental housing figures provided in Section I.A) will continue to be reserved for income-eligible elderly renters.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: See information provided in Section I.A <u>Service Objective</u>: Affordable Rental Units Reserved for Income-Eligible Elderly Persons - 598

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Real Property Tax Relief Program

**Provider(s)**: City of Alexandria Department of Finance

**Target Population:** Income-Eligible Elderly and/or Disabled Homeowners

**Program/Activity Description**: Provides forgiveness of real property taxes for incomeeligible persons who are over age 65 or permanently disabled. FY 07 proposed qualifying annual income for full abatement of real estate taxes is \$40,000 and for partial abatement it is \$62,000.

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): City Revenue Foregone - \$3.2 million

Service Objective: Households Served - 1276

**<u>Performance Measurement:</u>** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Rent Relief Program

<u>Provider(s)</u>: City of Alexandria Department of Human Services (DHS) <u>Target Population</u>: Income-Eligible Elderly and/or Disabled Renters

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides financial assistance to income-eligible renters (currently household income cannot exceed \$25,600) who receive no other rental assistance and who are age 65 or older or who have a complete and total disability. Benefit levels vary based on income.

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

**Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)**: City General Fund - \$190,000

Service Objective: Households Served - 75

**<u>Performance Measurement:</u>** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Program/Activity: Rebuilding Together Alexandria (formerly Alexandria Christmas in

April) - National Rebuilding Day Activities

**Provider(s):** Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA)

**Target Population:** Low-Income Elderly, Low-Income Disabled or Low-Income

Homeowners

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Provides home improvement and repair services to low-income elderly and/or disabled or low-income City homeowners primarily using volunteer labor

**Geographic Distribution:** Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): Total of \$265,000 in Private In-

Kind/Cash Donations.

**Service Objective:** Households Served - 75

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

Many elderly City residents will also take advantage of the City's Single Family Rehabilitation Loan Program (see Section I.C) to make accessibility modifications to their homes, which improve their ability to age in place. Since FY 1998, 56% of the income-eligible households assisted through this program have been elderly.

For the past several years, staff has been looking into the possibility of the City developing, or supporting the development of, an assisted living facility for low- and moderate-income seniors. Currently, the cost of assisted living in the City can exceed \$4,000 per month, an

amount which is well beyond the incomes of seniors in this category, and few assisted living beds exist in the Northern Virginia region that are affordable to this population.

In the spring of 2003, the Assisted Living Study Group, consisting of representatives from ARHA, Department of Human Services (DHS) and the DHS Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS), the Department of Health and of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse, the Office of Housing and the Commission on Aging, released a report that recommended enhancing in-home services for the elderly in the City and recommended that a new work group be formed to propose enhancements to assisted living for low income City residents.

The City Manager's Assisted Living Work Group, consisting of representatives from ARHA, DHS, DHS OAAS, the City's Office on Housing, members of the Commission on Aging and a representative from the continuing care retirement community, has, with the assistance of the non-profit Volunteers of America, secured a market analysis and is now focusing on identifying a specific site so that a more in-depth feasibility analysis can be conducted.

<u>Leveraging of Federal Funds</u>: The leveraging of any federal funds that may be used to support programs mentioned above is discussed as applicable in Sections I.A and I.B. No federal funds are leveraged by programs/activities above that are not included in those sections.

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: the City government would support applications by other entities for funding to continue housing programs for the elderly at existing levels of service, as well as to implement new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan and/or Action Plans, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan or Action Plans would require City Council approval.

## ■ I.F. Persons with Physical and Sensory Disabilities

#### **Five Year Objectives:**

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for lower-income persons with physical and sensory disabilities will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Improve living conditions for five non-elderly disabled homeowners with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits occupying ownership units with physical defects and/or that are in need of accessibility modifications; and
- Support accessibility modifications in 15 existing privately-owned rental housing units occupied by disabled renters with incomes at or below HUD's moderate-income limits;
- Relieve the housing cost burden for 70 income-eligible non-elderly disabled renters and/or homeowners per year.

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for Persons with Physical and Sensory Disabilities:

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Rental Accessibility Modification Program (RAMP)

**Provider(s):** City of Alexandria Office of Housing

**Target Population:** Extremely Low- to Moderate-Income Disabled Renters

**Program/Activity Description:** Supports accessibility modifications in income-eligible renter households with grants of up to \$50,000 in CDBG funds for substantive modifications and mini-grants of up to \$1,500 from the City's Housing Trust Fund for more minor modifications

**Geographic Distribution**: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$256,600 [CDBG Carryover -

\$256,600]

Service Objective: Households Served - 5-6

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing, Suitable Living

Environment; Outcome: Availability/ Accessibility

During City FY 2007, the Alexandria Commission on Persons with Disabilities will continue its work with developers and the City's Code Enforcement Bureau to ensure that new units meet the federal Fair Housing requirements, and to encourage landlords to make existing housing units accessible to persons with disabilities. The Office of Housing's Fair Housing Testing Program, which includes testing for housing discrimination against persons with disabilities (and other types of discrimination), will also continue. More information on the Fair Housing Testing Program is provided in Section III.D.

Low- and moderate-income homeowner households with a disabled member may qualify to utilize the City's Home Rehabilitation Loan Program to support modifications necessary to accommodate a physical disability or a mobility impairment. It is estimated that at least one households served through this program during City FY 2007 will include a person with a disability. For more information, see Section I.C (Fair Housing Testing Program).

The City's Real Property Tax Relief and Rent Relief Programs, discussed in Section I.E, are also available to income-eligible persons with disabilities. The City estimates that 55 non-elderly disabled persons will benefit from the Real Property Tax Relief Program and ten non-elderly disabled persons from the Rent Relief Program. Rebuilding Together Alexandria (RTA) will also serve low-income disabled homeowners through rehabilitation and energy improvement initiatives, which are also discussed in Section I.E.

An additional resource for persons with disabilities living in the City is offered by the Joblink Division of the City's Department of Human Services Path to Employment Initiative. This employment service maintains a full-time Employment Training Specialist for persons with disabilities and the Employment Resource Room is fully accessible, providing a wide variety of adaptive equipment and assistive technology, as well as an Assistive Technology Specialist to assist individuals in utilizing the specialized equipment. The Department of Human Services also employs a full-time Disability Resources Coordinator who is responsible for facilitating access to all City services by persons with disabilities and serves as an advocate for City residents with disabilities.

**Leveraging of Federal Funds:** No funds are expected to be leveraged in connection with CDBG funds used to support RAMP.

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: The City would support applications by other entities for funding to provide housing for the physically disabled, but, to the extent that such housing is rental housing for low-income persons, support would be provided only on a case-by-case basis subject to Council approval. In such cases, certificates of consistency with the Consolidated Plan would be provided only for projects approved by City Council. Organizations and agencies are encouraged to come forward with their plans for City Council review and approval as far as possible in advance of application due dates.

## ■ I.G. Persons with Mental Illnesses, Mental Retardation and/or Chemical Dependency

The City's primary strategy for assisting persons with mental illness, mental retardation, and substance dependence is to provide supportive housing opportunities, case management, and supportive services through the Alexandria Community Services Board (ACSB) and the City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation, and Substance Abuse (MHMRSA). ACSB is responsible for providing and advocating for supportive services for City residents with mental/developmental disabilities and/or substance dependence problems. Services are managed by ACSB and Sheltered Homes of Alexandria, Inc. (SHA), a private non-profit organization that owns and maintains many of the residential facilities that serve ACSB clients. The affordable housing needs of these individuals are met through a combination of efforts by the community, ARHA, the Office of Housing, Alexandria Community Shelter, Carpenter's Shelter, Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless, and other agencies, in partnership with ACSB.

## **Five Year Objectives:**

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for lower-income persons with physical and sensory disabilities will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

- Continue to provide a continuum of residential treatment services to individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems;
- Develop four new group homes with an estimated total capacity of 24 beds to provide permanent residential treatment services for individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems:
- Develop15 supervised apartments with an estimated total capacity of 45 beds to provide permanent residential treatment services for individuals with mental health, mental retardation and substance abuse problems; and
- Provide 10 tenant-based rental vouchers through the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program to enable individuals with mental health, mental

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for Persons with Mental Illness, Mental Retardation or Chemical Dependency:

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Transitional/Permanent Supportive Housing Group Homes and Supervised Apartments

**Provider(s):** City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse MHMRSA and Sheltered Homes of Alexandria (SHA)

<u>Target Population</u>: Persons in the City who are mentally ill and/or have substance abuse problems.

**Program/Activity Description:** Provide housing for men and women who are mentally ill and//or have substance abuse problems.

**Geographic Distribution:** Eligibility is Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): TOTAL - \$4,912,330 - Federal Substance

Abuse Block Grant money for the treatment of alcohol- and/or drug-addicted women -

\$50,929, City General Funds- \$2,031,307; client fees - \$2,830,094

Service Objective: 134 beds available in 23 housing units

**<u>Performance Measurement:</u>** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/

Accessibility, Affordability

In order to respond to the changing needs of a growing number of clients with both mental illness and substance dependence, MHMRSA provides integrated services across disability lines that include mental illness, mental retardation and drug/alcohol addiction from the perspective of clients' length and intensity of treatment. Short-term emergency services and outpatient mental health and drug/alcohol treatment are provided by an "acute care" division, while longer-term day treatment, vocational services, case management and residential services are provided by an "extended care" division. A third division, "prevention and early intervention," reaches across disability areas and populations. This service delivery system enables MHMRSA to allocate its staff and resources in a manner that better meets the needs of a changing client population.

<u>Leveraging of Federal Funds</u>: Federal funds used to assist persons with mental health, mental retardation and/or chemical dependency will leverage an estimated \$21.7 million in state, local and private funds. Operating funds of \$220,931 consisting of federal SHP Transitional Housing monies will be matched with \$60,410 in ACSB funds. Operating funds of \$127,964 consisting of federal SHP Permanent Housing monies will be matched with \$57,103 in ACSB funds.

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: The City government would support applications by other entities for funding to continue housing programs for persons with mental health, mental retardation and/or substance abuse problems at existing levels of service, as well as to implement new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans and/or the Alexandria community Service Board (CSB) Five-Year Housing Plan, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan, Action Plans or CSB Five-Year Housing Plan would require City Council approval. Organizations and agencies are encouraged to come forward with their plans for City council review and approval as far as possible in advance of application due dates.

## ■ I.H. Persons Living With or Affected By HIV/AIDS

The City will continue to address the housing and supportive services needs of persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families through the City's Health Department, the City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse (MHMRSA), the Whitman-Walker Clinic of Northern Virginia (WWC/NOVA), the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA), the INOVA Juniper Program and other public and non-profit organizations.

The federal Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program represents a major source of funding for this purpose. HOPWA funds are awarded to the entire Washington, D.C. metropolitan area as a whole through the District of Columbia's Administration for HIV/AIDS, which has been designated by (HUD) as the entity that must apply for and receive HOPWA grant funds for the region. In Northern Virginia, these funds are managed and distributed by the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) and are made available to persons living with HIV/AIDS in four categories of assistance: short-term housing assistance; group home operation support and technical assistance, for which related services are provided on a regional basis; and long-term rental assistance, for which funding is allocated to individual jurisdictions. Alexandria's allocation is administered for the City by ARHA.

## **Five Year Objectives:**

Activities to be undertaken during City FY 2007 for persons living with or affected by HIV/AIDS will address the following specific objectives established in the Consolidated Plan for City FY 2006-2010:

■ Maintain 10 tenant-based rental housing vouchers to provide rent subsidies to income eligible persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.

## City FY 2007 Programs/Activities for Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS:

Program/Activity: Long-Term Tenant-Based Rental Assistance for Persons With HIV/AIDS

<u>Provider(s)</u>: ARHA for the City of Alexandria <u>Target Population</u>: Persons with HIV/AIDS

**Program/Activity Description:** Provides long-term tenant-based rental assistance for persons

living with HIV/AIDS under the HOPWA voucher program

Geographic Distribution: Citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): HOPWA - \$95,500

Service Objective: HOPWA Vouchers Available - 6, which may be transitioned to the regular

Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program

Performance Measurement: Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Affordability

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Short-Term Housing Assistance and Other Housing-Related Services for

Persons Living with HIV/AIDS

**Provider(s):** Northern Virginia Family Services

<u>Target Population</u>: Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS <u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Housing for persons with HIV/AIDS

Geographic Distribution: Northern Virginia Region (from Fredericksburg to Washington D.C.

and west).

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): HOPWA - \$173,863 (not from City's share

of regional allocation)

Service Objective: Overall Apartments Available - 138, including 25 Alexandrians

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Suitable Living Environment; Outcome: Affordability,

Availability/Accessibility

Program/Activity: Agape House

<u>Provider(s)</u>: Wesley Housing Development Corporation Target Population: Homeless Persons with HIV/AIDS

**Program/Activity Description:** Housing for homeless persons with HIV/AIDS

Geographic Distribution: Fairfax County, VA - Facility is open to Alexandria residents

citywide

Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source): Not Specified

**Service Objective:** Overall Apartments Available - 12

**Performance Measurement:** Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome:

Availability/Accessibility

<u>Program/Activity</u>: Supportive Services for Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS

<u>Provider(s)</u>: Alexandria Health Department; City's Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse (MHMRSA); WWC/NOVA; INOVA Juniper Program; K.I. Services, Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry (NOVAM) and Positive Livin'

**Target Population:** Homeless Persons Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS

<u>Program/Activity Description</u>: Includes primary medical care, drug assistance, public health nurse case management, dental and nutrition services for low-income persons with HIV/AIDS provided by the Alexandria Health Department, as well as non-housing-related services (including medical, dental, mental health, prescription drug assistance, case management and/or legal services) available to persons living with HIV/AIDS throughout Northern Virginia with the support of Ryan White CARE Act funds provided by the INOVA Juniper Program, Positive Livin' and WWC/NOVA. MHMRSA will provide HIV testing, as well as testing-related counseling and education.

Geographic Distribution: Available to Alexandria residents Citywide

<u>Projected Funding for City FY 2007 (By Source)</u>: Alexandria Health Department - \$500,000 in Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Response Emergency (CARE) Act and other funds; MHMRSA - Federal Substance Abuse Block Grant; INOVA Juniper Program and Positive Livin' and WWC/NOVA - Ryan White CARE Act; WWC/NOVA has also applied for City General Fund monies allocated through the City's Community Partnership Fund for Human Services to provide case management and legal services to persons living with HIV/AIDS in the City of Alexandria.

<u>Service Objective</u>: Persons Assisted with Primary Medical Care and Other Services by Alexandria Health Department - 209; Alexandria Residents Assisted with Case Management and Legal Services by WWC/NOVA - 30

<u>Performance Measurement:</u> Objective: Decent Affordable Housing; Outcome: Availability/Accessibility

City residents with HIV/AIDS who do not have housing are referred to Carpenter's Shelter and the Alexandria Community Shelter. Other agencies/organizations that provide Case Management, Primary Medical Care and other support services for Alexandria City residents include: K.I. Services, Positive Livin', Ethiopian Community Development Council (EDCD), INOVA Juniper Program, Wholistic Family Agape ministries institute (WFAMI), Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry (NOVAM), and Whitman Walker Clinic of Northern Virginia (WWC/NOVA).

City residents living with HIV/AIDS may be eligible for general mental health and substance abuse services offered by MHMRSA, including outreach, psychiatric evaluation and medication monitoring, case management, residential treatment, social detoxification, day support, neuropsychological testing and individual and group counseling.

<u>Leveraging of Federal Funds</u>: Federal HOPWA and Ryan White CARE Act monies to be used by WWC/NOVA will leverage local and private monies. Ryan White CARE Act monies used by the Alexandria Health Department will leverage local monies.

<u>Support for Applications by Other Entities</u>: The City would support applications by other entities for funding to continue housing programs for the persons with HIV/AIDS at existing of service, as well as to implement any new initiatives specifically identified in the Consolidated Plan and/or Action Plans, subject to City Council approval of specific locations for any new facilities. Applications to increase service levels or to add new services not addressed in the Consolidated Plan and/or Action Plan would require City Council approval. Organizations and agencies are encouraged to come forward with their plans for City Council review and approval as far as possible in advance of application due dates.